

Council Reaffirms Stand in Phone Bill Controversy

BY SALLY VAN DYKE
News Editor

The lines of the phone bill fight were clearly drawn in the Student Council meeting last Wednesday.

Stuart Broms, president of Council, and Council itself, stood behind its decision to take joint responsibility for the bill.

In addition, Council passed a motion for a full scale investigation of all areas for which the Student Activity fee is used. It will be under the direction of the vice president of business affairs and will be financed in part by the student activity funds, which should be appropriated, according to Council, for the purpose of hiring an outside auditor.

Broms added that this auditor "will come straighten everything out and hopefully the University will have the sense to hire a full-time accountant hereafter."

Dr. Alfred R. Wolff, dean of Student Personnel, entered the meeting by invitation of the Council and presented his viewpoint concerning the bill. He stated emphatically that the situation was an ethical matter. He said that the people involved must face the individual consequences as would any administrator or faculty member in the same situation.

"If I had run up a phone bill, the Dean's Council could not simply meet and agree to take joint responsibility for my conduct," he continued. He added that the ethics of the individuals are involved and he was losing hope that they would face up to their individual responsibility.

Broms said he did not see how the Council could come to a solution when the threat of an Ethics and Discipline hearing was hanging over its head. "The Administration in fact," he said "is not leaving us any choice, offering us only one alternative, and thus imposing their standards on us."

Presenting what he considered a neutral position, James Fenner,

assistant professor of economics, suggested Council members in his estimation "should be examples for the rest of the student body." He said that this was an ethical matter, but Council should do what it feels is right.

He also presented the Council with a written proposal with the above recommendations which he hoped the Council would sign. Council thanked him for his consideration but did not sign the proposal.

In questioning the role of the Administration in the affairs, Broms asked Martin Herlands, director of student activities and one of the advisors to Student Council, what the position of the Administration was at that time. **E and D Considered**

Herlands replied, "We would like to see students resolve the problem themselves, but if there is any reason to believe that individuals have perhaps acted unethically then perhaps this is a matter for Ethics and Discipline." He said at this time he has the information and development of the situation as presented to him by the ad hoc committee.

Broms then questioned Herlands' right to be sitting on the board which is making the decision as far as Council goes, because he signed the vouchers.

Herlands then read the voucher as follows, "The undersigned certifies that there are sufficient funds in the treasury to cover the amount of this voucher, and furthermore the purpose for which the voucher is filed is correctly stated above." He added that he would receive a statement, such as telephone expense is "x



STUART BROMS, Student Council president, makes a point during council's discussion of the phone bill controversy last Wednesday. Looking on are Council's Treasurer Robert Coulton, Vice-president Arlene Ploshnik, James Fenner, assistant professor of economics and a cake presented to Broms by council in honor of his birthday.

(Scribe photo--Dufresne)

amount" of dollars and "x amount" of dollars is payable to Southern New England Telephone Co.

Robert Coulton, treasurer of council, added that the statement read by Herlands included the word "approval" in capital letters.

"I felt procedurally I was right, but I was wrong not to have brought my suspicions to the Council, that individual members were using the funds. For this I plead guilty," said Herlands.

Dr. Christopher Collier, academic advisor to Student Council, said "A faculty adviser is in an extremely difficult position because student groups can fire you. I have been presented with fraudulent things to sign time and time again (in other groups). For example, members of one group were supposed to be at a convention in Hartford but were in fact paying motel bills."

He said that things of this nature have been going on as long

as he has been an adviser. "Faculty advisors have got to be taken off the griddle -- Mr. Herlands has really been scrunched here -- he is responsible for this because he signed it. He ought not have to have signed it in my view."

He added that Herlands was in

an impossible position and faculty members must not be put in the position they are now in -- sign or resign.

He complimented Council on the motion they passed adding that he

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Littlefield Debates Open House Policy

As of press time Dr. Henry W. Littlefield, University president, was uncertain when he would announce his decision on the open house policy. The proposal was presented to the Administration by the Residence Hall Council a month ago. President Littlefield was on vacation and returned to the University early last week.

Plans are underway by a group of students to invite the President to announce his decision publicly to the student body in front of the Student Center this afternoon.

A meeting is scheduled today at 3 p.m. between Matt Fenster, RHA president, and Dr. Littlefield to discuss the proposal.

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Black Students Still Few and Far Between

This is the first of a two-part series about black students on campus.

BY JEFF TURNER
Sub-Copy Editor

Black enrollment at the University is still relatively small in spite of recent campus unrest across the country. There has been an increase over the past several years, however, said Donald W. Kern, dean of Admissions.

This year's black enrollment figures are unavailable and Kern pointed out that there has been a definite increase over last years 1.2 per cent of Negroes enrolled. However, Kern said even this year's figures are a relatively small per cent when compared with Negro enrollment figures of other schools. He referred to schools such as Wesleyan and Norwalk Community College, which have a fairly high percentage of Negro students.

Why does the University have a smaller percentage of black students when compared to these other institutions? Kern said state institutions are able to attract more Negroes than schools like Bridgeport because of the low tuition they offer. Norwalk Community College, for example, has a tuition of \$50 per semester,

which explains the high Negro enrollment figures.

The University, which had 56 Blacks enrolled last year, estimates the Blacks percentage of students to be in the neighborhood of two to three per cent of the student body. This is a relatively small percentage as compared with other universities of the same size.

One Black student, however, noticed the increase of black students and claimed "things were getting crowded at the University." To unite the Black population, the Organization of Black Students was established this year.

Black History Week was recognized at the University from Feb. 10 through Feb. 16. Sponsored by the Board of Education, the Junior League of Bridgeport, Inc., and the Bridgeport-Stratford branch of the NAACP, it included a protestant worship service at the Lid focused on Black History, a Negro "Youth Night", and a convocation featuring John Hendrick Clarke, author of several books on black history.

Do Black students encounter any discrimination problems at the University? One student

claimed he had not seen any signs of discrimination and didn't think he would. Another said there were signs of discrimination, but they weren't exhibited openly. None of the students interviewed seemed concerned about the small percentage of black enrollees at the University.

Discrimination at any institution is discouraged by the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which bars discrimination based on race, color, or national origin under any institution, program, or activity receiving federal financial assistance. Government officials strictly enforce this act and visit colleges for evidence of segregation in campus facility and activities. To assure themselves that no discrimination is taking place, they talk to minority group students and campus administrators.

With a college education costing between \$10,000 and \$15,000 per student, the \$18 billion national total for four years will jump another 50 per cent during the next decade, predicts the American Council of Education. Hardest hit in this increase, claims the

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TWO BLACK STUDENTS are pictured above in a classroom of predominantly white students. This tells the story for one of the campus's smallest minority groups. Efforts toward a balance are slow.

(Scribe photo--Schneider)

Open House Policy...

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The proposed policy requires that doors may be closed and locked; an open floor may be applied for via the Hall Executive Council; the Hall Council has jurisdiction over specific times of open halls and floors; any hour may be applied for; and no advisor is required to be on duty.

The new policy also requires a

guest register be left in the lobby of each residence hall for the signing in and out of guests, a procedure followed now in the men's residence halls but not in the women's.

Robert Grochow, chairman of the committee for the study of open house and president of the North Hall, said students of this university have matured to the extent that they should be considered adults.

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TODAY

All girls interested in playing inter-collegiate golf this spring are asked to attend a meeting today at 5:45 p.m. in the gym. Any students interested but unable to attend the meeting are asked to leave a note in Mrs. Ashe's mailbox in the gym office.

WEDNESDAY

WPKN staff will meet at 2 p.m. in the station's studios on the second floor of the Student Center.

A meeting to discuss the formation of a Graphics Design Organization on campus will take place at 1 p.m. in Dana Hall, Room 15. All graphic design majors are invited to attend.

The University Russian Club is sponsoring a lecture at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center. The speaker will be Miss Mae Kelly, a teacher from Roger Ludlow High School, Fairfield. She will discuss her recent trip East-

em Europe. Refreshments will be served.

Professor Max Wartofsky, chairman of the department of philosophy at Boston University, will address the Philosophy Club on "Technology and Human Alienation," Wednesday, March 19, at 4 p.m. in Jacobson Hall, CBA 103. Faculty and students are cordially invited.

GENERAL

Paul Sanasardo, New York choreographer and performer, will conduct a master class in modern dance in Harvey Hubbell Gymnasium on Wed. March 26 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 and all are invited to attend.

Petitions Due Mar. 24 For Council Elections

Harvey Levin, Election Committee Chairman of Student Council, issued a public notice earlier this week concerning Student Council elections because "information has not been made available to the entire student body through appropriate and sufficient public announcements." The announcement is as follows: "Applications for candidacy for the positions of Student Council president and vice-president will be available today through Monday, March 24, at 5:00 p.m. Applications will be available at the reception desk of the Student Center."

"Applications must be submitted to the Office of Student Activities by 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 24."

"Applications received to date have either been destroyed by the fire in Old Alumni Hall or have been invalidated because of failure to meet criteria for completing applications."

Applications must be accompanied by a petition with 50 signatures.

Requirements for office are as follows:

Candidates for the office of

president and vice-president must run together on a single slate.

Each of the candidates must be a full-time junior or senior student in good standing during the time that he or she will be in office.

Each of the candidates must have at least a 2.35 cumulative g.p.a. at the time of his or her candidacy.

Each of the candidates must have served for at least one semester on Student Council or must have served as the president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer of a recognized de jure organization for a period of not less than one year.

The president and vice-president slate receiving a plurality of votes at the general student election held during the month of April shall be the president and vice-president of Student Council for the coming academic year.

Levin has not yet set a date for this year's elections. He said that he could not disclose candidates' names at this time, but has some idea of who will be running.

If you let nature take its course you may fail yours.

You were supposed to cram for calculus tonight, but somehow 35-24-35 looked more appealing than the derivative of x^3 .

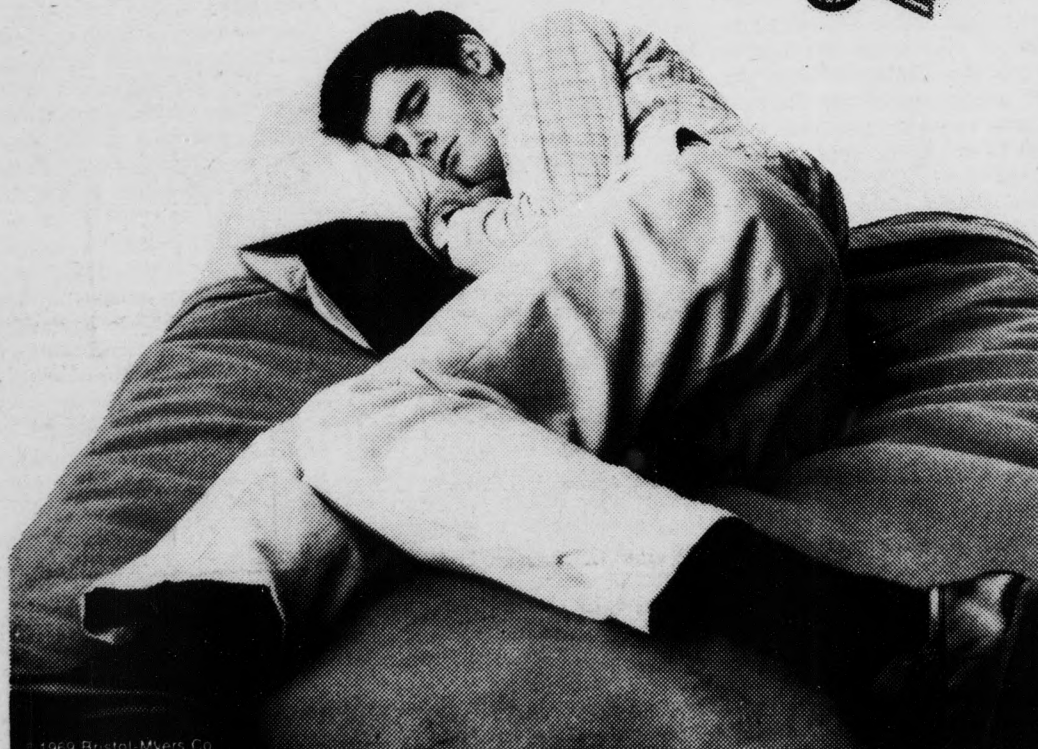
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The two students at the left are enjoying their afternoon rest period content that the University will protect them from the dangers of wicked girls and from the alcohol that manages to corrupt so many innocent youths. Unfortunately the student in the top bunk suffers from acrophobia and his fear is apparent. Efforts have been made to return him to the bliss of dormitory life but he is destined for many sleepless nights since this is the only way both beds will fit in the room. At right, in contrast, is the spacious off-campus apartment of another student doing his homework by candle light.

(Scribe photos-Biasotti)



The Good Life: Home in Beautiful Bridgeport

BY JEFF SANDLER
Staff Reporter

I ran into an old friend named Ron the other day, whom I had not seen in a long time. "Where have you been hiding yourself," I asked, "I thought you had graduated."

"No, I'm still here," replied Ron, "I moved off-campus."

"Is moving off really as great as they say?" "Sure," said Ron, and he offered to take me to his house and show me just how much better it really was. I accepted and off we went.

It took quite a while for us to get to the house, and I asked Ron if the long ride caused him to be late for classes. "Sometimes, but you've got to remember when

I lived in Breul Hall, I had to walk all the way to Dana Hall for classes and I was late then too."

"Don't you have trouble finding a place to park on campus for some of your classes now though?" I questioned. "No," Ron replied, "I've got a spot on Iranistan Avenue that is never taken." Finally we arrived at the house. Ron cautioned me to ignore the outside appearance. "It's the inside that makes a house." With this in mind, I walked inside.

"This is our porch," Ron pointed out. "Excuse the mess, but this is where we store everything that we have no room for in the house."

I accepted his apology and proceeded to walk down a narrow hallway noting tiny little rooms

jutting out on the left and right as I walked. "You have a lot of closet space," I pointed out, trying to be helpful. Ron's evil stare told me those closets were bedrooms.

From then on, I thought it best not to open my mouth if humanly possible, but I couldn't help but chuckle at how the rooms reminded me of the old joke about the guy whose room was so small, he couldn't fit a salami in sideways.

We entered the living room and Ron motioned for me to sit down and make myself comfortable while he went to get us both a drink. I dropped into an ancient olive-green overstuffed chair and was immediately engulfed in a cloud of dust. Choking and gagging, I attracted Ron's attention, and was once again restored to normal, thanks to the cold drink Ron shoved at me.

As Ron started to explain how much better it was to live off-campus, I couldn't help but be distracted by the strange assortment of furniture scattered about the room. The most eye-catching pieces by far were these two chair lamps which provided the only light in the dimly-lit room. Remnants of a white elephant sale, the lamps were tall, thin, and adorned with what looked to be Crusader Rabbit lampshades.

However, my attention once again focused upon by host, and I settled back to listen. "First off, the dorms are filthy. The maids and janitors don't do a stitch of work, and those rooms are the world's biggest dust collectors." I started to agree, but feeling another coughing spell coming on, just nodded agreement.

"Roommates are another reason," he continued. "You've got to watch yourself all the time, so you aren't inconsiderate to

your roommate. That's for the birds."

"Also, don't forget all the rules you are subject to in those dorms." I nodded and shifted my weight in the chair. "Don't do that," screamed Ron, "the landlord will kick me and my three roommates out of the house if we scratch the floor."

Apologizing, I asked what his real reason was for moving off. "The food," he replied. "The dining hall is terrible. Speaking of food, would you care for a snack?"

"If it's all right with you," I answered, "I guess I'll have a snack."

Ron smiled and walked into the kitchen. An instant later he was back, the smile gone from his face. "What's the matter?" I asked. "My damn roommate didn't go shopping this week. I do have a can of sardines though." I thanked him but I really wasn't hungry, anyway.

Ron sat down, and with a far-away look in his eyes asked me how the girl situation was on campus. "Great," I answered, "we're going to get closed doors in effect soon." "That's great," he replied, but from the tone of his voice, I don't think he really thought it to be that great.

I asked him if being off-campus made it hard for him to meet girls. "Oh no!" was his answer. "You should see how impressive it is when you can bring them back to your house."

I glanced at my watch and noticed it was about supper time, so I asked Ron if he would drive me back. The dining hall was having pot roast tonight, and although it's not the best, I was hungry and it beat Ron's empty refrigerator.

"Say," Ron asked, "How about fixing me up with something nice this weekend, and we can come back here to the house." I told him I would try and asked him if it would be all right with his three other roommates.

"My roommate, Jack, has a girlfriend who just about lives here," he retorted. "If I want to bring a girl here for a change, Jack can't say a thing about it! If those other two object," he continued, "I'll just point out to them the number of times their fraternity brothers come over and eat us out of house and home. There should be no trouble at all."

The ride back to campus was quiet. Ron was muttering something about how much money his gas-eater car was costing him, but I didn't pay much attention.

Finally we arrived at my dorm, and I thanked him for the tour of his house. He reminded me about fixing him up with a date for the weekend and I told him I wouldn't forget.

As I walked into my room, my roommate was in the midst of complaining about how little room there was for all his stuff. My only reply was "Let's get some dinner."

Cinema Guild to Help Underground Univ.

When the Cinema Guild met recently, their primary objective was, in the words of President Barbara Bedick, "to select films that were more unusual; away from the commercialized; and those that most people haven't seen."

However, an addition to the agenda was unexpectedly inserted by Joseph Patrick, representative from the Student Center Board. He proposed a plan that would enlist the support and aid of the newly formed Guild. As Patrick explained, the Board is in the process of establishing "an underground university" that would offer students from the University free or low-cost classes without examinations. These classes, as proposed, would run for the duration of five weeks or so, meeting once a week.

In the hopes of starting this program during the spring semester 1969, Patrick said he realized that besides an instructor, the course on films would require help in formation from the Guild. Warren Bass, instructor of cinematography at the Uni-

versity, was interested in both ideas and suggested that the course explain the evolution of comedy in films as seen through the earliest movies. New plans and further information are to be forwarded through the Student Center Board and the Guild.

Returning to the main order of business, Miss Bedick announced the dates reserved for Dana showings of films. They are March 21, April 15, 18, and 27, May 4 and May 14. Lid showings secured are April 23, 30, May 7, 14 and 21.

The task of filling the open dates was met by much discussion as several underground "flicks" were discussed. The first movie receiving unanimous approval from the Guild was "Don't Look Back," the recent film of Bob Dylan's on-stage and backstage performances.

"Masculine and Feminine," "Relativity," "Scorpio Rising," "Hold Me While I'm Naked" and "War Games" were the other definite approvals of films mentioned.



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Phone Bill Issue Awaits President's Decision

The whole Student Council, Student Personnel, Ad Hoc Committee hassle over Council's telephone bill is currently in limbo.

The cloud of chaos that surrounded the issue all last week still exists, but quietly. All the arguments have been voiced-defended by some, discounted by others, some unanswered and others still debatable.

The looming question of whether Council goes to Ethics and Discipline rests with Dr. Henry W. Littlefield, University president.

At press time that decision was pending. By now it has been made. We are at a disadvantage due to deadlines in commenting upon this decision. Therefore we can at best only prophesize.

We maintain that Council should not be taken to Ethics and Discipline. The uncertainties and ambiguities surrounding the

issue defy a clear and fast route to E and D.

Ethically, of course, Council was wrong. However, in observing the events of last week, we found ethical inconsistencies at every level of the University.

Stuart Broms, Council president, used a similar argument in charging that all organizations that are allocated student funds are aware of misappropriations either in their own organizations or others.

Some argue that two wrongs do not make a right. But we believe Council's argument is a valid one. One segment on this campus should not be so severely punished for an act repeated perhaps by all segments. A more expedient means to the end is to foster a method to check the misappropriation problem (if indeed one exists) in all areas. When the problem is unearthed, the University should see to it that written policy is

instituted to cover that area. In the future, then, the University would be trying legality - not ethics.

Indications Sunday night suggested that Pres. Littlefield and Dr. Alfred R. Wolff, dean of Student Personnel, might be in agreement.

Pres. Littlefield said in a telephone interview Sunday the final decision would be made yesterday afternoon. He added, "The fact that we have not made a final decision means that we are weighing all factors in an attempt to make a fair decision for all concerned."

We can only hope that this means an amnesty of some sort for Student Council.

If stricter control is to be levied, all organizations should be encompassed.

Closed Door Policy: The Next Step

Under the banner of "no more In Loco Parentis", we urge Dr. Henry W. Littlefield, University president, to accept the closed door policy proposed by the Residence Hall Association.

As a plan that has been in the works for over a year, the proposal in its present form is functional.

Administrators up the line to the presi-

dent have expressed little resistance to the policy. Suggestions made on their part over the last year have led to changes in the proposal.

It remains only for the president to sign it into law. We can understand a reluctance by Dr. Littlefield to make such a policy operational. Implications inherent in the

privileges are a little frightening for an institution traditionally conservative in its student living codes.

But, in the name of change, the University must take the step (banning In Loco Parentis was the first step) and join other colleges like Connecticut Wesleyan and Yale University which assume a high level of maturity within its student body.



Letters To The Editor

Clean the Slate

TO THE EDITOR:

Legality vs. Ethics is the problem which now faces this campus. Yet the question is merely academic. Out of the present Ad Hoc Committee - Student Council dispute two facts have surfaced. The Committee feels that Council's use of the telephone for personal matters was an abuse of privilege. Council feels that what was done was legal as there was no rule against it. This is all trivia.

Use of funds intended for student matters by a person or persons to pay for their own business is clearly wrong. The solution proposed by Student Council to reimburse the student body is unsatisfactory. What Council proposes is to take funds intended for other purposes and use these to pay for their personal mistakes or in other words to "rob Peter to pay Paul". Personal phone calls should be paid for by personal funds.

I had the fortune to be present at the confrontation between the

two parties March 6. I have never seen a more deliberate attempt to cloud issues and obscure facts. Representatives of Student Council, RHA, SDS and other organizations acted like high school kids with obscene language, threats, and personality attacks flying like features in a windstorm. I am not a member of the Ad Hoc Committee nor am I connected with any political organization involved, but I would like to point out that this behavior was solely on one side and not indulged in by the Committee.

The solution to this problem is readily at hand. Some of us complain of the corruption of society at large. Let us now set this society an example. Let the people involved - Ploshnick, O'Brien, Broms, etc., stand up and say, "I was wrong. I did something I perhaps should not have done. I am sorry. Here is my personal check for the damages." Then perhaps the present student administration can go out of office with praise

in their ears, instead of a black eye.

James L. Hyslop
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Barracks Language

TO THE EDITOR:

In reference to The Scribe stories and editorial in the March 13 issue, may I say that while I disagree with some of your views, I think The Scribe did a commendable job in getting as much sense as they did out of a somewhat chaotic meeting.

I would wish to take exception to a pattern which I observed in several recent issues of The Scribe. Accuracy in quoting is good journalism but good taste in using quotes is also a mark of good journalism. I presume that I must be classed as an out-of-touch old "square," but I have been offended by the use of certain Anglo-Saxon expressions while quoting students. Not only do I think these are a breach of good taste, but they reflect unfavorably on our students. One mark of an educated person is the ability to express himself in something better than barracks room language. I know that this feeling is shared by some faculty, I presume it is also shared by some students, alumni, parents, etc. who also read The Scribe. Our better newspapers avoid this type of offense -- I am sure The Scribe could do so too.

By the way, thank you for the

promotion, but I am only an assistant professor, not an associate.

James Fenner
Assistant Professor of
Economics

EDITOR'S NOTE: When The Scribe prints certain questionable words they are not words of the newspaper but of individuals. We refuse to ignore the existence of such language and when such words are expressed by students in public it is our obligation to report it. It is as important for students to know how something is expressed as what is

expressed. To be entirely objective in reporting we will not bury our heads in the sand concerning this matter. Any newspaper, including the "better newspapers," professes to reflect society. If newspapers portray society completely free of profanity we question whether they are living up to this objective. The Scribe is also writing to a select audience that is supposedly above "the average intelligence" and we have confidence that they can cope with the language, as long as it is not abused.

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The Odd Couple



BY ART BUCHWALD

WASHINGTON -- I'm not saying it happened -- but it could have.

A black man dressed in an African caftan walked into a bus station coffee shop and sat down next to a white man wearing a white sheet and hood with the words KKK written on the front. "I beg your pardon," said the white man. "What is that outfit you're wearing?" "I'm a black militant, honky."

"What a coincidence," the other man said. "I'm a white militant. Where are you going?"

"I'm going to a demonstration to demand all-black housing for college students in black dormitories."

"That's wonderful," said the KKK man. "We've been saying for years that the blacks should live by themselves."

"You have?"

"Of course. You should have your own restaurants, your own hotels, your own movie theaters and your own place on trains."

"You putting me on?"

"I am not. You can look it up if you want to. We've worked, it seems forever to see that the black people didn't have anything to do with the white people. For your benefit, of course."

"Hey, that's crazy. You white cats are working for the same thing we are. How do you feel about integrating?"

"We're absolutely against it. If it weren't for the Supreme Court you people would have all the black things you wanted. They forced you to mix with the white man."

"The Supreme Court has no right to tell us to mix with honkies."

"I'd feel the same way, if I were you. Do you know our organization advocates black and white washrooms in railroad stations and bus terminals?"

"I didn't know there were any honkies thought that."

"You better believe it. We're on your side. Why, up until a few years ago we insisted on separate education for the races--black in black schools, white in white schools."

"Man, that's what my demonstration's all about."

"And listen to this. We felt so strongly about the black man living in his own black neighborhood that when some Uncle Tom moved into a white neighborhood we burned a cross on his lawn."

"Good for you," the black man said. "Black people want to move in white neighborhoods are nothing more than plantation slaves."

"I've never said this to a black man before, but I like the way you think."

"Thanks, honky. You know I usually won't talk to a white man. But you're different. You're working for the same things we're working for."

"Of course we are. Someday, if you're successful and we're successful, we won't even have to eat together in this restaurant. There will be a section for you and a section for us."

"Beautiful. I can't wait for that day."

"Well, we better get on the bus."

"Yeh. I wonder where I should sit."

"Why don't you sit in the back? It's much more comfortable there."

Joseph Kraft:



Washington Insight

New Near East Policy Plan; Israeli Prevention in Sight

BEIRUT -- The Near East, agitated to begin with, has been stirred to further turmoil by Washington's advertisement that it is working with the other great powers to formulate a new policy towards the area.

For with notice so abundantly served, all the active forces in this part of the world are working to influence the developing American policy, or make adjustments around it.

The most obvious case in point is Israel. The government there, supported to the hilt by the Johnson administration, inevitably fears a change under the Nixon administration. It has been acting to prevent a new policy being formulated rapidly, and in reaction to the policy of the Johnson regime.

To that end the Israelis have repeatedly argued that present conditions in the area are not dangerous and do not require any major new diplomatic action by the great powers. They have already won from President Nixon a pledge, asserted almost exactly in words originally used by Foreign Minister Abba Eban, that there will be no "imposed" settlement in the Near East. And Mr. Eban is in the United States this week, pushing the theme even harder.

The contrary interest asserts itself in Cairo. The Egyptians want a new policy with a drooling passion -- especially one put by the United States in cooperation with Cairo's friends in Moscow and Paris. Accordingly, the regime of President Nasser is doing all it can to underline the explosive character of present conditions and the danger that will follow unless something is done by the great powers.

With that purpose, the Egyptians, over last week-end, started the artillery duel along the Suez Canal which brought death to their chief of staff, General Abdel Noneim Riad. For the same purpose they converted the Riad funeral into a national martyrdom and instituted an emergency blackout.

In Jordan, King Hussein is preparing for a trip to Washington which he will be making in person next month. He will spell out there the kind of military and economic assistance his fragile state would need in order to accept a settlement.

In the meantime, he is giving a relatively free hand

to the Palestine commandos who operate from Jordan against Israel. By not restraining their warlike acts, he whets Washington's appetite for a settlement and raises the price the Americans are willing to pay for his acquiescence in new arrangements.

Even Syria, so long in self-isolation, is coming out of its shell. Until very recently, Syria was completely under the thumb of an extreme leftwing government. That regime was imposed upon the country by a military junta, grouped around General Salah Jeddid, and comprising officers coming from a much-disliked Moslem minority -- the Alouite sect.

Recently a group of Alouite officers, grouped around General Hafez Assad, have been alarmed by the prospect of a Near East settlement that would demonstrate that victory had not been achieved over Israel. These officers feel that in the full light of the failure to crush Israel the Alouites might be exposed to popular revenge. Accordingly, they are moving to broaden the regime, and eventually to bring in some more representative Syrians to share with the Alouites the blame for the bad times they feel may be coming up.

The one thing lacking in all this -- the thing that does not exist in Jerusalem, Cairo, Amman, or Damascus -- is a strong impulse towards settlement. The fact is that the governments of the Near East, tipped off in advance by Washington that something big is brewing, are doing everything possible, except taking steps towards peace.

In this situation, it is not likely that a settlement, whether imposed or unimposed, is going to be exchanged very soon. What is far more likely is that the Nixon administration, having started to formulate a policy for settlement, will not be able to finish the job.

The result will probably be a new set of hurt feelings among the Arabs, which the Soviet Union is almost bound to exploit. And not for the first time, an American regime would have helped its principal adversary in this area by promising, far more loudly than necessary, more than it could deliver -- or would wisely want to deliver.

An Interview With Dr. Christopher Collier

Restructuring the American University

Q. What do you see as the role of SDS on college campuses?

A. I couldn't answer that question because the SDS is an autonomous organization and it is different on every campus. The one that we have is nothing like the one, for instance, at Columbia. The purposes of the SDS are construed differently by practically all the individuals in it. One of the reasons that I agreed to be advisor to the SDS is that it has very responsible leadership. I respected the leadership tremendously. And the leadership is very constructive. We just don't have the Mark Rudds here who just want to tear down. We have people with objectives, and they are construc-

tive objectives. There are things that they want to do that make sense. They have, on occasion, had objectives to University policy and they have been willing to go through channels. They have passed by opportunities for confrontation. They don't want to have a confrontation just to have a confrontation.

Q. Could you give an example of SDS going through channels?

A. A very small matter for instance. They were forbidden by regulations over at the Marina Dining Hall to pass out literature. They were upset about it. I think they had a very good cause here. Some of the more excitable members wanted to make something out of it and have a con-

frontation, but the leadership saw that if they wanted to accomplish something in the way of expanding student freedom, they could do it easily by going through channels. And they went through channels. They talked to people in the Administration and arrangements were made so that they could pass out this material. Not only SDS but all campus groups are now allowed to pass out materials in the Marina Dining Hall, providing they have somebody there to pick it up at the end. This is the kind of constructive contribution that they are making and will continue to make. They have a number of programs now in the planning stage.

Q. Do you see SDS as being an effective force on this campus in the future?

A. That will depend on whether the students want it to be or not. The membership so far is strong. It's responsible. It's increasing every week. But my own experience with groups is that they rise and fall, rise and fall. The effectiveness of SDS will depend entirely on the kind of reception that the students give it.

Q. What is your opinion of the draft in this country?

A. You ask me that question right at, almost, the week at which I am, I may be, changing my mind about it. In the past I have been opposed to the draft, but the idea of a professional army, isolated from civilians, frightens me too. I think that it would be dangerous to create an army independent of civilians. But I'm not sure we're going about it the right way. What I really favor is, if there needs to be a draft, is a national serv-

ice law. Everyone, men and women, would be required to spend a certain number of months in some kind of social or governmental service. There would be no such thing as a "four F" or no such thing as a conscientious objector. Everybody would serve in some social service, or governmental service, or in the military. But they have a choice which they serve in. And it should be women as well as men.

Q. Do you think the lottery is an effective alternative to the present draft system?

A. No. I think all the systems are bad and I think the present system is an effort at equity. The present system is an attempt to be discreet where as a lottery system I think is silly. I don't understand the rationale behind it. They say it takes favoritism out, but right now, in general, there is an effort to exempt people who have a reason to be exempt. But, again, I think all the systems are bad.

Q. Coming back on campus, what is your opinion of Student Council and campus politics?

A. Well, I am also an advisor to the Student Council. I have seen it in its ups and downs. I think, first of all, that there needs to be student government. There must be an institutionalized structure of student government. Therefore, I would be very

Dr. Christopher Collier is an assistant professor in the History department. He received his PHD from Columbia University in 1964. Presently, he is advisor to the campus chapter of SDS and coadvisor to Student Council.

much opposed to any effort to abolish the Student Council. Perhaps it needs to be restructured. But, in any event, there needs to be some kind of a student government. Second, I think in spearheading the movement to revamp the University Senate and bring students in last year, the Student Council performed a service the value of which is not recognized because the student unrest is perfectly clear everywhere. I sense that it's getting stronger and stronger at the University and I think having students in the University Senate has done a great deal to institutionalize this unrest. The unrest is still there, and as long as it has some institutional outlet, it will not flow into uncontrollable channels. Now, of course, on the other side, there are some institutions that are so bad they ought to be destroyed rather than attempt to work within them. I think the University Senate is a good and viable institution and I think that the Student Council, in bringing about a situation where students were brought into the University Senate, has performed a very valuable function.

Q. What is your opinion of the alleged misuse of Student Council funds?

A. I have felt for years that the administration of student ac-

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Interview...

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tivity fees has been shoddy. It has been a system that has invited people to put their hands in the till. I was fired from the young Democrats a number of years ago as their campus advisor for matters of political ideology mostly, but also because I had refused to sign cer-

tain pay vouchers and certain membership rolls which I knew to be fraudulent. In one case, the students went to an elderly part time teacher in the evening and asked him to sign it. He was amiable and he signed it. They got their money despite the fact that I had called the business office and said don't pay any Young Democrats money without my signature. They have no way of checking over there.

There is no automatic check on this sort of thing, or at least it didn't operate because they paid the money with this strange signature. The system is wrong. The system is bad. This is much too much money to let go without a proper accounting program. The Student Council today (March 21) called for an investigation of the whole matter of expenditures of student activity monies with the help of an outside auditor, to be paid, at least in part, by Student Council funds and part by the University. I think that this ought to be instituted. I think that there should be a permanent, regular person who is either on retainer or who is on the regular faculty payroll, whose job it is to audit all those student activity books.

When I took on the co-advisors of the Student Council almost three years ago, it was with the explicit proviso that I have nothing to do with finances because I knew that having to do with finances was impossible. It is practically a full time job to track down all the dollars that the council appropriates and an advisor cannot do it. Yet, advisors are put in the position of having to sign these vouchers.

I think that advisors, from time to time, sign vouchers, and other things, very inadvisedly. They ought not to do it. But that is part of the system and they do it. I think that the Student Council, the present members of the Student Council, have been caught doing something that has been going on for years. They have been caught in a very minor kind of slush operation, the use of the telephone. As a matter of fact, hundreds, and I'm sure thousands, of dollars have been misspent by groups on this campus over the years. This needs a complete revamping and I hope it will come out of this present uproar over the matter. I hope that no few individuals will be made to pay for the faults in the system. I hope that the system will be revamped.

Q. Are the faculty members involved?

A. Again, radical changes in the last five years. We have a new group of young faculty members who are very much involved. I would still say that the faculty is insufficiently involved. It should be, I would think, it would want to be more involved. Yet we have large numbers of involved faculty that nobody knows about. We have large numbers of people in Young Republicans, running for political office. So the faculty is much more involved than most students realize, yet, at the same time, it should be more involved.

This interview will be continued in a later issue.



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Sachar Calls American Revolution 'Promising'

"Everything that goes on today is birth pangs, not death blows." This came from Dr. Abram Leon Sachar, Chancellor of Brandeis University, at the eighteenth annual Frank Jacoby Lecture, last Wednesday in the Harvey Hubbell Gymnasium. The essence of Dr. Sachar's speech was directed towards Brotherhood as reflected in the crises of today.

"We find crisis everywhere in the world," he said. "Citing Cuba, Berlin, India, Pakistan, the Congo, Indonesia, the Suez Canal, the Six-Day War in the mid-east and Vietnam, the distinguished writer, lecturer and teacher asserted that 'life will never again be free from aggravation. We've got to learn to live with grace under pressure.'"

Dr. Sachar said that he could not offer any "Pollyanna optimism" but he did not speak of America's predicament as pessimistic. On the contrary, Dr. Sachar, the author of "A History of Jews," believes the crises that are currently confronting the nation or the individual are not those of disintegration. "We are in the midst of the most prom-

ising revolution in all history." As seen by Dr. Sachar, violence "can not be averted when ignorance flairs up against the established."

Having traveled extensively, Dr. Sachar, who is also the first president of Brandeis University, then centered his attention on "the atrocities of the slums of Latin America and North Africa. 'Families are brought up like animals,' he said. 'When the hopes of these people are kindled, it is little wonder that impatience leads to violence.'"

With these people plus American citizens beset with maddening frustrations, Dr. Sachar doubts that progress can be expected without much dissent. Addressing University students, he stated that it is the job of the students "to tear into the sanctity as well as the obsolete." What Dr. Sachar is surprised with, is not the magnitude of the violence today, but with how little violence there actually is. "When violence does come, we shouldn't be quick to condemn whole peoples and whole nations."

Establishing the fact that America will never again live in a period of complete serenity, Dr. Sachar prescribed that America learn "to live with crisis, for now, and in the future, crisis will be a normal occurrence."

"Responsibility walks hand in hand with aggravation. We have all the responsibility of a huge nation. We want the power and prestige of such a nation, but don't want the aggravation. We can't always ask what we must do to be safe."

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Letters to the Editor...

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Ad Hoc Explanation

TO THE EDITOR:

As a member of the Ad Hoc Committee to Investigate Student Council Funds I feel that a reply is necessary to your editorial concerning this issue. Furthermore, I feel that due to the complete lack of courtesy on the part of the proponents of the Student Council position at the late open forum, my position, which would have been aired at that time under different circumstances, is also necessary.

I can at no time remember any member of The Scribe editorial staff being present at any of our March 9th meeting or at the March 10th forum. I can only wonder how someone with so little information about our decisions, motivations, and conclusions can write so authoritatively about something that the editor knows so little about. As a matter of fact, from the tone of the editorial it is quite apparent that this editor has been in contact with Student Council and has relied only on their interpretation of the issues without making an effort to inquire into the committee's interpretation.

Let me point out that this committee is made up of members from all classes. Therefore, there are a large number of students who were not attending this University during the Harm Administration. These individuals presented their own beliefs which could hardly have been based on what The Scribe implied was a two year old grudge. I would also advise the editor that it is very difficult to assess the motivations of people without directly observing the actions of those people.

You show your ignorance of the situation by condemning the committee for its malicious intent. Had the committee been malicious we could have released the matter to The Scribe, WPKN, and the Ethics and Discipline Committee with full details and the names of the few individuals that we knew at that time to be implicated. But rather than take this course of action we chose rather to continue our investigation in hopes of ascertaining all those who were involved and thus trying to achieve an equitable settlement. Had we chose to take the former alternative, then we might perhaps be open to the charge of being out to hang a few individuals. But we chose the latter, and thereby hoped that everyone involved would receive fair treatment. In short we were looking neither for vengeance or scapegoats.

It was not the Committee, but Council which called three emergency meetings. It was not the Committee but Council which retroactively sanctioned the possibly unethical actions of a few of its members. It was not the Committee but Council which threatened to expose irregularities in the financial activities of other organizations. It was not the Committee but Council which used vulgarities and obscenities in an open meeting designed and set up for a gentlemanly dialogue. Thus, it was not the Committee, but Council which set up a smoke-

screen of irrelevancies to cloud the real issues.

In this effort to try to obscure the fact that the Committee is trying to deal with the personal ethics of an as yet undetermined number of Student Council members, the Council cloaked its actions in a maze of legalities, accusations, and other actions. What the Council and its vocal supporters failed to see was that the Committee was not dealing with legal issues. What is legal in our society is not always ethical. It is legal for a student to cheat on an examination. No one will arrest him. However, this action is unethical and therefore punishable as incorrect behavior in his role as a student. Simply because you cannot be arrested for an act does not make that act right.

We have placed a great deal of trust in those people who sit on OUR Student Council, and I feel that the actions of these several members of the Council has violated that trust. When an elected or appointed representative fails to live up to the responsibilities which he accepted by taking a position then I feel that he or she should be called on it.

What has actually happened in this case is that these people were caught, and, rather than admitting to their lack of responsibility, they chose to fight. This whole matter would and could have been amicably settled quite a while ago if it were not for the maneuvering of the Council. Rather than the individuals facing the problem, the Council chose to make itself responsible, thus effectively hiding the individuals involved. When the Council offered to admit that their sanctioning of the actions of these individuals was wrong, what they were in reality saying was that they were wrong only in the sanctioning of the actions, not that the actions of these individuals was wrong. Hence it would seem that Student Council was really only admitting that their only fault was in being caught.

Members of this Committee have been called, rather disdainfully, by Council and its supporters idealists and overly concerned with ethics. They purport that their actions are right because they are done in the outside world and that the masses, the student body in this case, could really care less. But I feel that they are wrong. I don't see the masses of students as being ignorant and completely lacking in both concern and ethics. To me it is the contempt that these "leaders" have for their constituency which fosters the apathy that everyone is concerned about. If you cannot be ethical and idealistic in college then ethics and ideals will soon disappear from this country and a society will begin to emerge where progress will cease and the survival of the ruthless will be the order of the day.

Today college students all over the country are condemning the "establishment" for its lack of ethics, its unscrupulousness, and its irresponsibility. How can we

as college students condemn anyone when we ourselves are guilty of the self same activities? And we are all guilty when we exercise our right of inquiry, uncover something which we honestly feel is wrong, and then summarily dismiss the whole matter because the group which perpetrated the wrong shouts and blusters about all the issues except the relevant ones. Do we on this campus have our own student establishment with the same things infecting it as the outside establishment? Are we here at the University of Bridgeport living in a society as sick as many of us say the outside one is? I sincerely hope not. But if it is, then there is no reason in the world why this cannot be changed for the better.

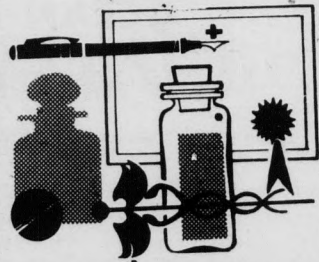
The Scribe maintains that it doesn't have the "facts to support a stand", yet they editorialize on something that they really know very little about. We on the committee feel that we do have the facts to stand on. We have tried to do the right thing by both sides. We at no time felt that this would be the end of all wrongs. There are many others, some probably a thousand times more serious. But we as individuals had to start somewhere, and this issue presented itself. Had it been another issue, I am sure that we would have acted. Individual personalities played no part in our decision to take up this issue, as I am sure that they will not in the future.

Members of the Ad Hoc Committee

EDITOR'S NOTE: Scribe reporters were present at both the meeting March 9 and the forum March 10.

In reference to the last paragraph, the March 11 editorial stated we did not have "facts" to support a stand on whether or not Stuart Brooms and his Administration needed exposing. Your evidence was conclusive but it was only one instance and we felt further evidence would be needed to clearly establish grounds for an investigation.

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Best known for his novels, "Spartacus," "Citizen Tom Paine" and "The Unvanquished," Fast will discuss his work. He is the author of more than 30 books the latest of which is "The Jews, Story of a People."

A graduate of the National Academy of Design, a former candidate for the United States Congress and winner of the International Peace Prize, Fast has contributed to some of the country's leading magazines including Esquire,

CORRECTION

Last Thursday's Scribe identified Bruce Borre as president of the Student Center Board. Borre is a member of the board, of which Ron Guman is president.

Concerning Borre's statement, Guman said, "It is not the responsibility of the Student Center Board to take political action. The board is concerned primarily with recreation and leisure time activities of University students. Actions of a few of its members do not reflect the views of the entire organization."

The Keio University Wagner Society Male Choir of Tokyo will perform at a convocation in the Harvey Hubbell gym at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The choir comes to the United States to appear in Lincoln Center's second International University Choral Festival. The concert is sponsored by the music department, the International Activities committee and the Council International.

Coronet and the Saturday Evening Post.

Three other writers to be announced later, will participate in the series.

Black Students...

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Council, are Black Students who in addition to coming from low income families, have to contend with mediocre secondary schooling and racial bars in many of the nation's colleges. "At present, claims the Council, Blacks are largely outside the mainstream of American higher education." At the University, academic assistance is offered so Negroes can meet acceptance requirements and possibly receive scholarships.

Is the University attempting to promote Negro enrollment? Kern claims the University is active in a number of programs aimed at reaching youths living in ghettos to encourage them to enter college. Last semester, a number of Harlem youths visited the University and its facilities to acquaint them with the college community. Todd Newsom, vice-president of Alpha Phi Omega fraternity, was instrumental in setting up the visit. Newsom said that the goal of the program was to motivate the teen, especially the Negro, to go to college. Dr. Robert A. Christie, vice-president of academics, also addressed the youths that day. Christie tried to encourage the Negro youths by pointing out that he, too, had come from a background similar to theirs in Philadelphia.

Also established this year was the Student Referral Recruitment Program, which enables University students to recruit and recommend prospective University applicants from high schools and junior colleges.

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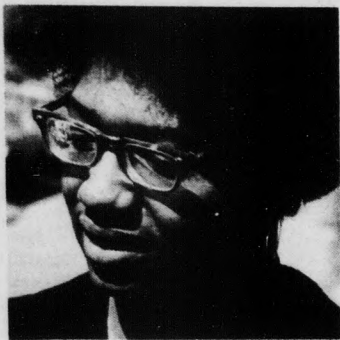
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Student Opinion!!!

"Do you think that the administration would be justified in taking any action against the Student Council, in regard to the phone bill controversy?"



Veronica Shelton, Freshman, English: "They have a right to know what's happening to the money. Student Council is probably the most important student organization on campus. If you can't trust Student Council, who can you trust?"



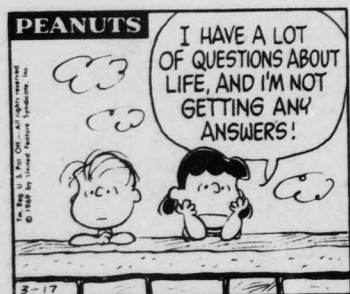
Michelle Touraine, Senior, English: "I definitely don't think they are justified. It's a student matter—we elected them, and since we elected them, it's our problem to take care of them and the Administration has no right in the matter. If they get involved once, they can get involved again."



David Silver, Junior, Pre-Dental: "As I understand it, the Student Council is being put before the grand inquisition for misuse of money for phone calls. And as I believe, the Administration itself as well as student organizations have been accused of this dastardly deed. Two wrongs don't make a right, however, and Stuart Broms should leave himself enough rope to hang himself April 15th. My whole solution to the problem is for Bell Telephone to arrest the hierarchy of the school and let the students take over."



Mary McKenna, Freshman, Journalism: "The students should have some say about where the money goes. If nothing is done by the students, then the Administration should get in."



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"When you win, you win as a team." This quote could be related to any athletic endeavor, but around here, it is emphasized in one sport particularly, freshman basketball.

These were the words of freshman coach Lou Campanelli, after his team finished their season with a 15-4 record. His squad last year won 18 games, while losing only one, to become the winningest frosh team in history of UB.

He compared that team to this one. He said that last year's team was more balanced, was a bit quicker, and had better basketball background. He said that it was a pleasure working with the team this year because he had to assume the role of teacher more than last year. He said that the team worked well together,

and that the toughest team they faced was Manhattan. Manhattan, Sacred Heart, St. Thomas More and Springfield were the only teams that they lost to.

Campanelli emphasized that it was the defense that kept them in most of their games. "Jack Breen played great defense all year, was the leader in assists, and was the playmaker. Wayne Shiel was the second leading rebounder on the team and helped out offensively too. Chuck Bartlett played real good defense all year long and added to our strength under the boards. Don Reynolds came off of the bench and sparked our win over Fairfield at their gym and then did a fine job the last four games." Tom Buckton, Steve Resnick, and Howie Friedman were the others on the squad that

gave the team its oench strength.

"From a coach's viewpoint we accomplished what we wanted to this year," said Campanelli. "My job is to take five kids who were stars in the high school and mold them into a team. But more than that we try and help him become a young man in today's society, we try to help them overcome the difficulties in adjusting to college life, and this year I think we accomplished our job."

"We can have a kid who will go out there and win the individual scoring crown and lose the game, but what good is it. We try to teach the kids to play as a unit and play a good defense, said Campanelli.

Since Campanelli has taken over as freshmen mentor, his two teams have a combined record of 33-5. It seems that the coach might have something to do with the making of a good team.

Pucksters Post 6-3 Mark;

Demolish Nassau in Finale

Six Purple Knight pucksters contributed at least one goal apiece last Friday as the UB team completely demolished the Nassau Community College squad, 12-0, in the season's finale for the Knight team at the Wonderland of Ice.

Wally Schmidt contributed four goals to the onslaught as the entire team played a well-balanced game, scoring four goals in the first period, five in the second, and three in the final stanza.

Gary Jones turned in his second shutout in a row as he blanked the NCC attackers. The previous Friday, Jones blanked the Iona icemen 2-0 in the same arena.

Skip Rochette, Joe Serieka and Mike Balenko each added two goals to aid Schmidts efforts, while Phil Leibrock and Nelson Shapiro each added one tally. The Knight icemen ended their season with a fine 6-3 record in their initial season of competition.

Next year they will compete in the Metropolitan Hockey League, facing many more foes in a full slate of matches.

Council Reaffirms Stand...

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felt it showed "responsibility, good thinking and maturity."

Student Council reaffirmed its support of their decision, as expressed by Greg Knoll. "There should be no division between leadership and Council. It was legal, disregarding any ethical question. Student Council must stick together as a body and take it as far as we have to go." Other Council members agreed with this expression.

Broms also presented a statement which read "We the undersigned student leaders realize that there has been misappropriation and misuse of funds in all areas for which the student

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funds are used. We also feel that the Administration has no justification in dealing with any individual but rather must deal with all student organizations as well as those at all other levels of the University, including the staff and Administration since there has been malfeasance on their part as well." It was signed by Broms; Matthew Fenster, president of the Residence Hall Association; Sharaden Stergas, managing editor of The Scribe; and Kevin Shanley, chairman of Commuters Senate. Broms said Patricia Demby president of Inter Fraternity President's Council would affix her signature that afternoon.

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